



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

ISHIZAKI, Takashi, et al.

Group Art Unit: 3632

Serial No.: 10/582,142

Examiner: **MARSH, Steven M.**

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For: **DISPLAY ELEVATION ADJUSTING APPARATUS**

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

DATED March 17, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: April 17, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated March 17, 2009, the applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the species embodying Species 1. Claims 1-3, 6, and 7 read on this species. The applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

It is respectfully submitted that in the display elevation adjusting apparatus using the spiral spring, the means for reducing a speed of upward movement may be the slopes of the stepped portions 14a, 14b (species 1 and 2) or the damper 90 (species 3). More particularly, the structural arrangement using the slopes of the stepped portions 14a, 14b is included in claim 1. Therefore, as described above, the species 1-3 include the same means to reduce the speed of upward movement to solve the same problem.

The applicants respectfully request an early examination on the elected claims 1-3, 6, and 7 favorable action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions with this Response, please feel free to call the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

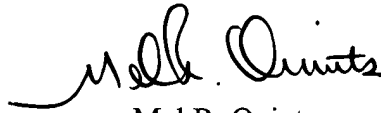
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Respectfully submitted,

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